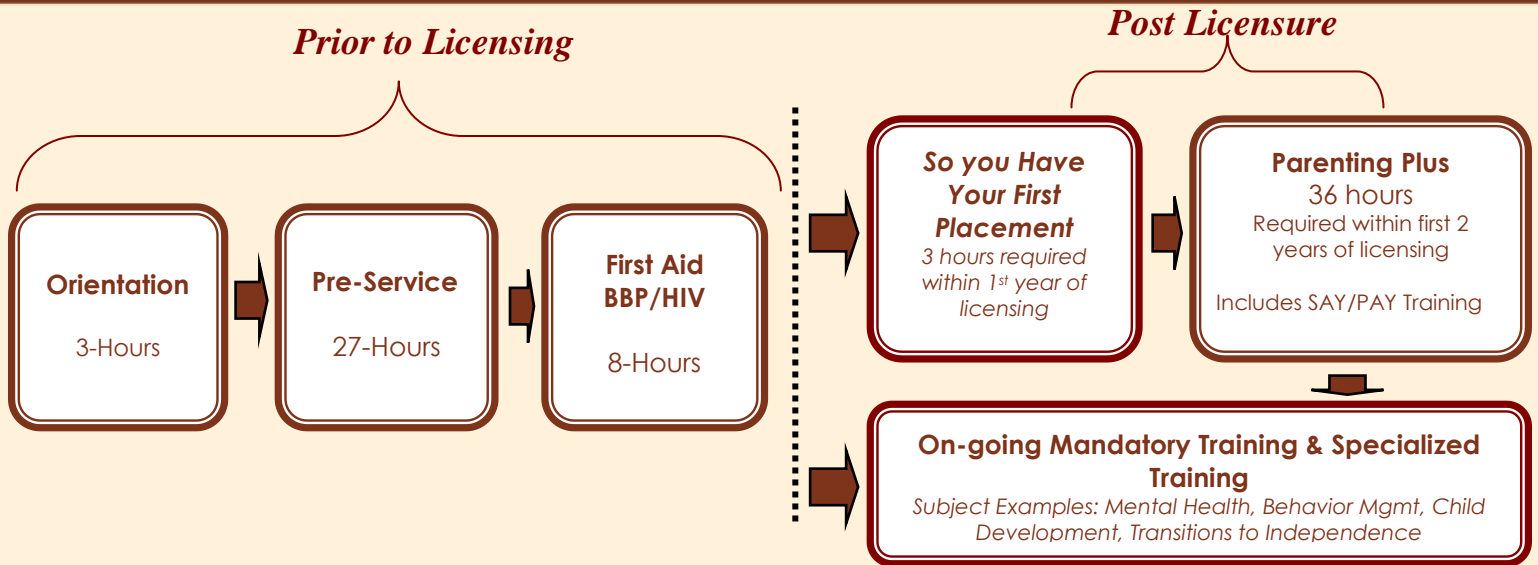


# Foster Parent Training Model



The **Resource Family Training Institute (RFTI)** provides training for foster, adopt and unlicensed relative caregivers statewide. A new Caregiver Training Policy was implemented on **October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011**. Improvements include:

## Pre-Licensing Required Training:

- Orientation (provided by DLR Licensors), 3 hours in length. Classroom and on-line training available.
- PRIDE Pre-Service, 27 hours in length. Classroom training.
- HIV/ First Aid/ CPR/BBP training, 8 hours in length. Classroom training.

## In-Service Required Training:

- Required 3 hour So You Have Your First Placement course within first year of licensing.
- Required 36 hour Parenting Plus course within first 2 years of licensing which includes Sexually Aggressive and Physically Assaultive (SAY/PAY) training.
- Training hours decreased to 30 hours for second licensing period.
- Training hours decreased to 24 hours for third and all subsequent licensing periods.
- A total of 12 training hours can be rolled over into next licensing period.

## Additional Training and Information:

- In-Service classes are provided by contracted trainers on a variety of subjects. Topics and length of class vary.
- SAY/PAY training is required for foster parent who care for children with these behaviors.
- A Video Lending Library is now available to all caregivers, free of charge as an option to fulfill their mandatory training hours.
- Video trainings on-line are available to fulfill their mandatory training hours.
- Experienced foster parents co-train with RFTI Trainers for Pre-Service and other trainings.
- The classroom training is provided weekdays, weeknights and weekends to meet the needs of the caregivers. Foster Parent Trainers are located and integrated within the regions statewide.